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Father Parkleaf

by c. h. r.

her nice thing about the mas Season, is the sheer re eiving cards and let- om old friends. Especially me, because I seldom a letter or mail a card. f the nicest I received this mas Season, was from a away out in Oregon . . . ia Christian, daughter of e beloved Dr. D. A. Christ- ho says we could drive out gent. Oregon in a couple ks and get to see Kristy, school sophomore; Kathy, ade; Kim, 5th, and Kerwin, one - half. The blessed above us all never made people.

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me upon a copy of a new sic. It tells you all manner d things . . . such as how eather is going to be on ext birthday, Dec. 21.

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us arise and sing a por- f Old No. 88. I have a let- on one of my life insur- companies, advising that olicy is all paid up!

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all the fine people I have through the years and e still around to bring in r New Year — God bless very one.

o Children e In Blaze

e Eric and Glow Goode ed in a blaze at their home ricia Ann Lane, Appomat- Wednesday morning about n. Parents are Henry and Lucy Goode, colored. Mary Goode is employed by The r Manufacturing Co.

ording to one unconfirmed , the children were alone at ne the blaze was discover- ne of the personnel of mattox Garment Co.

e Goode was 2; his little Glow, 3 years old. The en were found huddled on in the living room of the room frame house.

cue Squad Meet Tues.

Appomattox Rescue Squad eet Tues., Jan 8, at 7 p.m. regular meeting place.

Postage Rates Rise Jan. 7

Postmaster H. W. Conner, Appomattox, reminds all patrons that postage rates will be raised on Monday, January 7. This affects all mailings except 4th class (parcel post).

Of particular interest to patrons, he says, is the fact that all first class letters will require 5 cent worth of postage and airmail, 8 cents.

The new "U. S flag" 5 cent stamp will be available Jan. 10, he reports, and any combination of commemorative or regular stamps will be acceptable so long as the total postage equals the new rates. The "George Washington" regular stamp for 5 cents is now on sale at the local postoffice as well as the 8 cent airmail stamp, plus books and coils of 5 cent stamps.

Avoid delay in your mail Conner reminds readers. Take note of the rise in rates. For local mailings or "drop letters" as they are called, the rate will be 4 cents instead of the present 3 cent rate.

Rabies Vaccination Clinics For Dogs

Dr. F. J. Clements, Director, and G. A. Pitsenberger, Staff Sanitarian, of the Appomattox and Buckingham Health Departments, announced that arrangements have been completed to hold extra rabies vaccination clinics for dogs in January 1963. They explain that three years have passed since the last mass clinic and, therefore, there should be a large number of dogs for repeat vaccination this year.

The schedule for Appomattox County is: Tues., Jan. 15, 1963, 1-3 p.m. Williams Grocery, Pamplin; Thurs., Jan. 17, 1963 1-3 p.m., Herndon's Store, Stonewall Dist.; Tues., Jan. 22, 1963 1-3 p.m. Behind Clerk's Office, Appomattox; Tues., April 23, 1963 1-3 p.m. Behind Clerk's Office, Appomattox; Tues., October 22, 1963 1-3 p.m. Behind Clerk's Office, Appomattox.

The schedule for Buckingham County is: Tues., Jan. 8, 1963 2 p.m., Jones Store, Sheppards; Wed., Jan. 9, 1963 2 p.m., Le-Sueur Store, Arvonia; Thurs., Jan. 10, 1963 2 p.m. Buckingham C. H.; Thurs., April 11, 1963 2 p.m., Buckingham C. H., Thurs., July 11, 1963, 2 p.m., Buckingham, C. H.; Thurs., October 10, 1963, 2 p.m. Buckingham C.H.

The fee of $1.50 per dog remains the same. A rabies vaccination receipt is required before dog tags can be purchased. The deadline for 1963 dog tags is January 30th.

Gun Smith At Old Mill

Hacker Martin, gun smith of Rt. 4, Appomattox, is shown outside his old mill on Wreck Island Creek. Martin used to grind wheat and corn at the mill, but now uses it as a workshop to turn out hand made flint lock guns, complete with triggers, and other fittings made by hand in his shop.

Martin repairs guns, too, and was one of the witnesses involved in a court case described in a separate article.

In addition, Wreck Island Creek, shown above on a wintry day with water frozen on the dam adjoining the mill, will be part of the newest Watershed Project planned for Appomattox County, John Harrison, soil conservationist for Appomattox and Campbell County, reports that other Watershed Projects in the county include Little Falling River, Cub Creek, and Vaughan Creek.

New Stamp Bears No Name; No Label

A new 5 cent American flag stamp will go on sale in Appomattox Thurs., Jan. 10. It will be the first regular stamp in U. S. postal history which does not contain the words, "United States" or "postage."

The Post Office Department said that, "The flag is deemed sufficient designation that this is a U. S. stamp."

Three stamps issued this year — Project Mercury, Apprenticeship, and Christmas — were not identified as "postage" but each contained the words "United States" or its abbreviation.

Three commoratives issued for the Pilgrim Tercentenary in 1920 were not identified as "U. S." or "postage."

The new stamp depicts the flag unfurled in the breeze, with the White House underneath it. To the left is the denomination, "5 cents" — which will be the cost of mailing a first - class letter after January 7.

The stamp will first go on sale in the capital on Jan. 9, the day Congress convenes. Nationwide stamp sales will start a day later.

Drawing For Gun Set For Jan. 15

The Appomattox County Rescue Squad will hold a drawing for a Remington 12 gauge automatic at Poe's Hardware Store on Tuesday, Jan. 15 at 5 p.m.

Dollar donations are being accepted by Rescue Squad members in an effort to increase their funds. Each dollar entitles the donor to one ticket, and the lucky number wins the gun.

Do not have to be present to win.

Changes And Challenges Come To Appomattox During The Past Year

VPI Names Inge To "Who's Who"

Frank Inge, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Inge, of Route 3, Appomattox. He was one of 15 VPI students named to "Who's Who in the Civilian Student Body." According to a letter sent to Frank by Floyd M. Dickinson, Jr., Secretary of the Civilian Student Body, "This is the highest honor that the Civilian Student Body can bestow upon its members." Dickinson went on to add, "Congratulations on your fine work which caused you to merit this recognition."

Frank, now a senior, is majoring in Business Administration. He expects to complete his studies in August. He is a member of T.E.K., the Alpha Kappa Psi National Honorary Business fraternity, and a Senator representing 100 students in the Civilian Student Body.

Miss Carrie Inge, a 1962 graduate of Longwood College, received special training at VPI during the summer, and is now assistant home demonstration agent for Cumberland County. Another son, Sammy, is now a freshman at VPI, having graduated from Appomattox High School in 1962.

FRANK INGE

Year End Review Of County Progress

The following review of county happenings is by no means complete, and yet, even a brief report of activities of businessmen, organizations, and individuals during 1962 may give many readers cause for encouragement and pride in Appomattox County as its citizens begin work on a New Year.

Forestry, one of the most important segments in county economy, received a boost by the formation of a Forestry Club in late November. Through professional advice and stimulus of prizes, plus sale profits, county tree growers are being encouraged to harvest trees wisely, and to replant county acreage.

Needy cancer patients can now draw upon funds not available in 1962 because of the formation of a county Cancer Council.

The expansion of the Appomattox Garment Company into nearby Buckingham County increased Appomattox employment from that end of the county.

Colonial Pipeline bought a right - of - way to many acres of county land, preparing for a 1600 mile pipeline to carry oil products from Texas to New York.

Memorial Methodist Church erected a new building; Liberty Baptist Church did extensive renovation, and several other congregations, including St. Ann's Episcopal, Appomattox Court House Presbyterian, and Hebron Baptist Church made additions and improvements to their church buildings.

New, private homes appeared by the dozen during the year.

The Bank of Appomattox opened their first branch bank, and Pamplin began plans for a bank to service their community.

The largest student body in Appomattox High School history entered school in Sept., 1962

County School Superintendent Jerry Burks retired after 36 years of service to hand over the task of supervision to Earl J. Smith, Pamplin.

The county gained at least two new ministers, and Dr. Twyman Williams, though retired from one church responsibility, continued to preach at the Old Concord Presbyterian Church.

Appomattox was seen by television viewers during a full hour's program devoted to county affairs, and the National Park Service at the Surrender Grounds continued in its preparation on Mission 66 projects. This is a program to improve facilities and encourage tourist travel during the Civil War Centennial Celebration and the years to follow. The National Park Service will celebrate its 50th anniversary on August 25, 1966.

The RAD Committee, our county - wide "Chamber of Commerce", traveled extensively throughout the county, asking citizens what they feel needs to be improved in Appomattox. Committee members made speeches to almost every organization in the county publicizing these needs and asking help in finding answers to the county's problems.

Our business place, formerly a factory outlet, became the Winking Whale, and part of a chain of stores offering a wide variety of merchandise.

During 1962 Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Robinson sold the TIMES VIRGINIAN to the Lloyd Vaughans of Farmville. The Robinsons never missed an issue during their 32 years as editors and publishers of the TIMES, the oldest continuing business in the county.

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Outdoor Lighting Winners Named

"Beauty and simplicity" seemed to be the adjectives most used to describe the winning entries to the Appomattox Garden Club's outdoor lighting contest.

First place in the "Overall Lighting Effect" division was the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Harwood, Jr. The Harwoods utilized an old Spanish custom in "lighting the way for the Christ Child" Christmas eve. Candles were anchored in 4lb size paper bags and set up in two rows leading to the Harwood's front door. The front door was decorated with crayon "stained glass" panels depicting the Christmas story from the Annunciation to Joseph and Mary's flight into Egypt. A wreath and additional window candles completed the display which was spotlighted from the outside.

First place winner in the "Door Decoration" division was the home of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Webb. Mrs. Webb fashioned a wreath from magnolia leaves, sprayed them with gilt, and completed the design with an olive green bow. Candles in two adjoining windows and an outside spotlight completed the display.

Other winner for Door Decoration were Miss Mary Ann Wheeler, 2nd place; Mr. and Mrs. K. E. Coleman, 3rd; and Miss Mary Grey Holland, 4th.

Other winners for Overall Effect were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph King, 2nd; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Allen Sears, 3rd.

Judges were Misses Penny Abbitt, Ann Cunningham, Emily Wood Burke, and Frank Weightman.

The judges awarded honorable mention to Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Nash, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Berkley Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Grover Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Burke Guill, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wingfield, Dr. and Mrs. Bob Lawson, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Conner, Mrs. T. M. Cunningham, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Burke, Mrs. Charles Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. John Grigsby, Miss Mary Watt Stanley, Miss Ted Mrs. J. E. Jamerson, Mr. and Mrs. Ned Legrand, Mr. and Mrs. "Boots" LeGrand, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Young, Mr. and Mrs. E. D Blackwell, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Carter, Mr. and Mrs. George Abbitt, Mr. and Mrs. Ned Hancock, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hubbard, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Bandry, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Jamerson, Mr. Paul Drinkard, Mrs. J. E. Sears, and Mr. and Mrs. Walt Abbitt.

For Overall Decoration, honorable mention went to Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Moses, Jr., Herbie Pulliam, Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt Evans, Mr. and Mrs. William Burke, and Mr. and Mrs. Willis P. Gills.

Local Man Dies In 3rd County Fatality Of Year

Jack B. Mann, Sr., 48, of Spout Spring, was killed instantly on Friday night, Dec. 21, after being struck by an automobile driven by a high school teacher from Richmond, according to J. C. Crawford, the State Police investigating officer.

Mann was walking east toward Appomattox on Route 460 near State Police Headquarters when an automobile driven by Linda Lorrain Barton, 21, of Richmond allegedly struck him.

Crawford stated that driving conditions were poor at the time. He added that Miss Barton stated that she did not see Mann until too late to avoid the accident — that she swerved the car to miss him.

Miss Barton was charged with manslaughter, and posted $2500 bond before County Clerk C. W. Smith, pending a preliminary hearing scheduled for January 16 in Appomattox.

The other two fatalities of 1962 occurring within Appomattox County were Arthur E. Meredith, who died in a car collision June 15, and Mrs. Florence Mabane Terry, who died in October in a car - tractor - trailer collision.

Pictured Above are the top three contestants in the Appomattox FFA Chapter Wildlife Contest: Left to right; Mr. Frank Chuchek, judge in the contest; Lonnie Reynolds, Jr., first place winner; Thomas Lucado, second place; and Kenneth Goin, third place.

FFA Wildlife Winners

Lonnie Reynolds, Jr., a junior in vocational agriculture, was declared the winner of the annual wildlife contest sponsored by the Appomattox FFA Chapter. This contest is sponsored by the chapter as a means of encouraging members to establish, or maintain, or improve the wildlife conservation practices on their home farm. In winning first place, Lonnie received an electric spot light from Mr Frank Chuchek, principal of the high school, who announced the winners of the contest and presented the awards.

As the top contestant in the contest, Lonnie established 10 feeding patches, constructed four dens and five feeding stations. He also maintained several natural feed and cover sites. In feeding his feeding stations and feed patches, Lonnie planned his locations well by taking advantage of natural cover and water. In addition to these wildlife conservation practices on his home farm, he passed a written test to demonstrate his knowledge of game and fish laws.

Other winners in the contest and the prize that they received were as follows: Second —Thomas Lucado, rod and reel; third — Kenneth Goin, electric drill; fourth — Jbert Moore, subscription to **Field and Stream** magazine; fifth — Ronnie Reynolds, subscription to **Field and Stream**, sixth — Sammie Scott, pocket knife, seventh — Gene Chernault, pocket knife; eighth — Sammie Martin, pocket knife

Judges for the contest this year were: Mr. Charles Torrence local game warden, Mr. Frank Chuchek, principal of Appomattox High School, and H. B. Pack, instructor of vocational agriculture. These judges visited each of the contestants and scored each contestant on his wildlife conservation program on his home farm.

State Tax Load Spread Seen Better

By acts of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia, 1962, certain important changes were made in the State of Virginia income tax law which will affect, in one way or another, every taxpayer of Virginia income tax.

Principal among the changes made are the adoption of an income tax witholding system,and second, a requirement that certain income taxpayers file declarations of estmaied tax.

This is the first of three articles on Virginia's new state income tax witholding procedure. This series has received the endorsement of Appomattox County commissioner of revenue, John Curtis Caldwell. It was written by William J. Gills, Jr., commissioner of revenue in Prince Edward County. The series will include subsequent articles on the required filing of declaration of estimaied tax by some taxpayers, and how the new law pertains to farmers. Next issue; filing declarations.

Neither of these innovations involve any increase in individual income tax rates.

One desirable objective expected to be achieved is a spreading of the tax load; many tranasctnis will now participate in the tax program who formerly, in the same circumstances, would not have taken part simply because they moved on, perhaps innocently enough, to addresses unknown in other states.

This article will review features of the new tax withholding system as it will affect employees. It is not intended to be in great detail, and will leave many questions to be answered.

Tax Table Guide

Beginning January 1, 1963, if you are working for an employer, unless you are one of those

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McDearmon Goes On Trial Today

The trial of C. Lewis McDearmon, charged with murder in the Sept. 21 pistol slaying of Meyton Lewis Ferguson, is scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. today, Thursday, before Circuit Court Judge Joel W. Flood.

Buckingham County Commonwealth's Attorney John R. Snoddy, who is being assisted by Lynchburg's Commonwealth's Attorney Royston Jester, III, is the prosecuting attorney.

William Rosenberger, Jr., of Lynchburg, is attorney for the defense, assisted by J. Segar Gravatt, of Nottoway County.

Babson Business, Finance Forecast, 1963

Roger W. Babson, author of this annual forecast peering into the next 12 months, is the internationally-known American business commentator and investment adviser. His regular weekly columns appear regularly in this newspaper, together with over 400 others publications. His financial reports are used by 20,000 corporations and estates. His 1962 predictions upheld the outstanding record of past year forecasts by being 86 per cent correct.

ROGER W. BABSON

Business

business situation will with different industries ence with different cities. defense centers will boom; cities will still find the go- ugh . . . but better than a ago. Considering the high of the past ten years it not be surprising for 1963 ow a moderate decline in ess. If so it should come in econd or third quarter, recovery in the fourth er, followed by a good 1964. ossible personal income

remain high. With increased s deposits and thus e in the cost-of-living, the should continue to spend especially if mergers ants in their advertising. od- tories will remain ome during 1963. Bu- rnt spending will in- se billion — largely — and $2 billion Weather mani- e their expendi-

new machinery in 1963 in view of the depreciation tax credit, I would not now forecast.

All this means that business and employment for your city in 1963 will depend largely upon the attitude of its leading businessmen. If they will be optimistic and spend more on new plants, advertising, and salesmanship, we should have nothing to fear.

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Stocks and Bonds

My father used to tell me, "It is okay, Roger, for you to make forecasts . but never put dates on them!" I forecast that the Dow Jones Industrial Average will register lower some time during 1963 and stocks will show an average yield of about 4 percent. Either dividends must be increased or prices of stocks must go lower. Both cannot continue forever so poorly adjusted.

The above comment refers primarily to industrial stocks. I forecast that both the gross and net earnings of utility stocks will advance during 1963 and for some years thereafter. The utility cumulative preferreds have reached a point whereby they will closely follow interest rates as determined by the Federal Reserve Banks. The utility common stocks should slowly rise in price provided they are not unduly limited by legislation or by state and federal regulatory commissions.

As for the railroad stocks, I generally feel bearish. A war with Cuba or a world nuclear war is breaking out anywhere could cause the stocks of all our transcontinental railroads to go sharply in price; but down they would come again. We are today in an electronic age and no longer in a railroad age. Those who desire to invest in common stocks should stick to the oils, chemicals, and electronics. Even then keep in mind Newton's Law of Action and Reaction which will always determine the time to buy and sell common stocks.

Regarding bonds I am not pessimistic for 1963. Certainly, the nontaxable bonds will sell higher during 1963. Also, good short-term corporation and government bonds will be safest to and government bonds may sell for less sometime during 1963. Long-term bond prices vary with interest rates and the probability of inflation.

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Building, Real Estate

There may be some decline in residential building in 1963 and shopping centers in many suburban developments may remain at a standstill for a while. However, so much money is piling up in savings banks which must be invested, it seems that by 1964 many more new homes will be built. In this connection, when purchasing a house and business property, be sure to study the land, which usually improves in price while the value of the building declines.

When constructing new frame houses, build either single homes or houses with only two apartments on the ground floor. There will be considerable new building of brick apartment houses, which should keep filled so long as they are well maintained. Old apartments and old houses will decline in price during 1963.

The less attractive outlook for home building generally does not apply to government or public buildings, or to all commercial buildings. The real estate developers, however, must spend more on advertising in 1963 to meet the growing competition.

Retail Trade

Naturally, there will be a seasonal letdown in retail trade after Christmas and the markdowns which follow January 1. That will be the time to look for bargains. Scan the advertisements well. This especially applies to merchandise that depends more or less on style, such as dresses, coats, hats, and shoes. Buy good-quality items that can be passed down to the younger children. Over all I expect 1963 to be a somewhat higher level of retail trade than has prevailed in 1962.

Purchases made at real markdowns could be good cause for opening a new charge account. But be very careful to build up a name for good credit. You can arrange to pay some in 30 days, some in 60 days, and some at 90 days; but be sure to pay a bills before your account is due. Good credit at a good retail store will help you

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